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Filed : Suite 203  
Inventors : Jupiter, FL 33477-1196  
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## COMBINED DECLARATION POWER OF ATTORNEY AND PETITION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents & Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Application Type:

Original Application  
 PCT National Application  
 US Designated Office  
 Continuation or Divisional Application  
 Continuation-in-Part Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention identified above

which is described in the specification and claims  
 attached hereto.  
 filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
 of Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_.  
 as was amended on \_\_\_\_\_.

which is described in International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed,  
and amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any),

which I have reviewed and for which I solicit a United States patent.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I do not know and do not believe that this invention was ever known or used in the United States before my or our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application or said international application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application or said international application, or that the invention has been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application or said international application in any country foreign to the United States on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application or said international application, or that any application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States prior to this application or said international application by me or my legal representatives or assigns except as identified below.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

<b>Number</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Date of Filing (Day Month Year)</b>	<b>Priority Claimed</b>
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I hereby claim the benefit under title 35, United States Code, §119 or §120 (as applicable) of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a), which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<b>Application Serial No.:</b>	<b>Filing Date:</b>	<b>Status:</b>

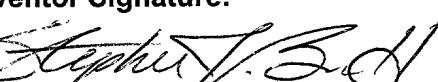
**POWER OF ATTORNEY:** As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent & Trademark Office connected therewith:

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I hereby petition for grant of a United States Letter Patent in this invention.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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## VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 CFR §1.9 AND §1.27

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I hereby declare that I am a below named inventor and qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR §1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the Patent and Trademark Office described in:

the specification filed herewith  
 Application Serial No. filed  
 Patent No. , issued

I hereby declare that I am:

the owner of the small business concern identified below:  
 an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF CONCERN:

ADDRESS OF CONCERN:

which qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR §121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR §1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time, or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the

power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both. I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the above-identified invention by the inventors, described in

the specification filed herewith  
 Application Serial No. filed  
 Patent No. issued

If the rights held by the below named inventors or small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed on the attached sheet\* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR §1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR §1.9(e). **\*Note: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring their status as small entities. (37 CFR §1.27).**

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR §1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

If by Inventor(s):

INVENTOR: Karen L. Lampe	INVENTOR: Stephen J. Budd	INVENTOR:
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2-2-01 Date	2-2-01 Date	<hr/> <hr/>

If by Small Business Concern:

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TITLE OF PERSON OTHER THAN OWNER:

ADDRESS OF PERSON SIGNING:

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_